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SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

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98th plenary meeting

Tribute to the memory of H.E. Mr. Hafez al-Assad, late President of the Syrian Arab Republic

The General Assembly observed one minute of silence.

Statements were made by the representatives of Gabon (on behalf of the African States), Indonesia (on behalf of the Asian States), the Republic of Moldova (on behalf of the Eastern European States), Antigua and Barbuda (on behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean States), Portugal (on behalf of the Western European and other States), Algeria (on behalf of the Arab States), the United States (as host country) and the Syrian Arab Republic.

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (Article 19 of the Charter) (A/54/915) [125]

The General Assembly took note of the letter from the Secretary-General (A/54/915) concerning 35 Member States which were in arrears in the payment of their financial contributions to the United Nations within the terms of Article 19 of the Charter.

Reports of the Fifth Committee

The Rapporteur of the Fifth Committee introduced the reports of the Committee on agenda items 117, 118, 118 and 164, 119, 121, 124, 128 (a) and (b), 129, 130 (a), 131, 132 and 148, 133, 136, 137, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 149, 150 and 172, 151 and sub-items 151 (a) and (c), 166, 173 and 175.

Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/506/Add.2) [117]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/54/506/Add.2) (resolution 54/13C).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 117.

Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/511/Add.3) [118]

The General Assembly adopted draft decisions I and II recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/54/511/Add.3).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 118.

Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations; human resources management: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/827/Add.1) [118 and 164]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/54/827/Add.1) (resolution 54/264).

The representative of the United States made a statement in explanation of vote.

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda items 118 and 164.

Programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/508/Add.3) [119]

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/54/508/Add.3).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 119.

Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/691/Add.2) [121]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 16 of its report (A/54/691/Add.2) (resolutions 54/265 and 54/258B).

The Assembly adopted draft decisions I and II recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 17 of the same report.

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 121.

Pattern of conferences: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/690/Add.2) [124]

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Fifth Committee contained in the report (A/54/690/Add.2).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 124.

United Nations Disengagement Observer Force: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/896) [128 (a)]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/54/896) (resolution 54/266).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 128.

United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/897) [128 (b)]

The representative of Israel made a statement in explanation of vote before the vote.

The General Assembly proceeded to take a decision on the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 11 of its report (A/54/897) (resolution 54/267).

By 64 votes to 2, with 43 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted the first preambular paragraph and operative paragraphs 2, 3 and 14 of the draft resolution.

By 110 votes to 2 (recorded vote), the Assembly adopted the draft resolution as a whole (resolution 54/267).

The representatives of the United States, the Syrian Arab Republic and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya made statements in explanation of vote after the vote.

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 128.

Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission and the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/504/Add.1) [129]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/54/504/Add.1) (resolution 54/17B).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 129.

United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/510/Add.1) [130 (a)]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/54/510/Add.1) (resolution 54/18B).

The Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 9 of the same report.

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 130.

Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/899) [131]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/54/899) (resolution 54/268).

Statements in explanation of vote were made by the representatives from Mexico, Morocco and Algeria.

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 131.

Financing and liquidation of the United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia; financing of the Military Observer Group of the United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/910) [132 and 148]

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/54/910).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda items 132 and 148.

Financing of the United Nations Protection Force, the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia, the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force and the United Nations Peace Forces headquarters: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/900) [133]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/54/900) (resolution 54/269).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 133.

Financing of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/901) [136]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/54/901) (resolution 54/270).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 136.

Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/902) [137]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/54/902) (resolution 54/271).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 137.

Financing of the United Nations Mission of Observers in Tajikistan: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/903) [141]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/54/903) (resolution 54/272).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 141.

Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/678/Add.1) [142]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/54/678/Add.1) (resolution 54/239B).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 142.

Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/679/Add.1) [143]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/54/679/Add.1) (resolution 54/240B).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 143.

Financing of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/904) [144]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/54/904) (resolution 54/273).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 144.

Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration for Eastern Slavonia, Baranja and Western Sirmium and the Civilian Police Support Group: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/905) [145]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/54/905) (resolution 54/274).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 145.

Financing of the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/906) [146]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/54/906) (resolution 54/275).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 146.

Financing of the United Nations Support Mission in Haiti, the United Nations Transition Mission in Haiti and the United Nations Civilian Police Mission in Haiti: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/907) [147]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/54/907) (resolution 54/276).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 147.

Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/908) [149]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/54/908) (resolution 54/277).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 149.

Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Sierra Leone; financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone : report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/686/Add.1) [150 and 172]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/54/686/Add.1) (resolution 54/241B).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda items 150 and 172.

Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations; relocation of South Africa to the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/684/Add.2) [151 and 151 (a) and (c)]

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic made a statement on a point of order.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I, II and III recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 14 of its report (A/54/684/Add.2) (resolutions 54/278, 54/243B and 54/19B).

The Assembly adopted draft decisions I and II recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 15 of the same report.

The representative of the United States made a statement in explanation of vote.

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 151 and sub-items 151 (a) and (c).

Financing of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/674/Add.1) [166]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/54/674/Add.1) (resolution 54/245B).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 166.

Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/687/Add.2) [173]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/54/687/Add.2) (resolution 54/246C).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 173.

Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/830/Add.1) [175]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/54/830/Add.1) (resolution 54/260B).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 175.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of all the reports of the Fifth Committee before it.

Allocation of items and organization of work [8]

The General Assembly decided to consider sub-item (a) of agenda item 97 directly in plenary meeting. It further agreed to proceed immediately to its consideration.

High-level international intergovernmental consideration of financing for development: draft resolution A/54/L.82 [97 (a)]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/54/L.82 (resolution 54/279).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 97.

Cooperation between the United Nations and the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization: draft resolution (A/54/L.86) [167]

The representative of Austria made a statement in the course of which she introduced draft resolution A/54/L.86.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/54/L.86 (resolution 54/280)

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 167.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Morocco and Algeria.

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